

**CITY OF NEWARK**  
**Newark, Delaware**

**TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING**

**July 21, 2009**

**5:00 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Chief Paul Tiernan, Lt. George Stanko, Rich Lapointe, Marvin Howard, Tom Parkins

**Absent:** Carol Houck, Dave Gula

**Guests:** Jean White, Newark Resident

**1. REQUEST FOR A 3-WAY STOP AT THE INTERSECTION OF BENT AND TANGLEWOOD LANES.**

Chief Tiernan said Ms. Kathleen Robinson that resides on Radcliffe Drive contacted the Chief's office and commented that she feels there is not enough traffic to warrant a stop sign at this location.

Rich Lapointe said this request was generated by a resident that lives on the corner of Bent & Tanglewood Lanes with the hope to reduce speeding on Bent Lane. Lt. Stanko said stop signs are not intended to control speeds and a more feasible solution would be to conduct enforcement.

Lt. Stanko said currently stop signs are located at the intersections of Bent Lane at Dallam Road and Bent Lane at Briar Lane. Lt. Stanko said during his observation he found there was not much traffic in this area.

Tom Parkins said he does not feel a stop sign is needed at this location. Rich Lapointe said there is a good line of sight at this location.

Mrs. Jean White said she lives within three to four blocks of this location and concurs that this location does not merit a stop sign. Mrs. White said there is a short distance between the stop signs located at the intersections of Dallam Road at Bent Lane and Briar Lane at Bent Lane, as well as a stop sign at Tanglewood Lane approaching Bent Lane and feels another stop sign is not needed.

**MOTION BY TOM PARKINS, SECONDED BY RICH LAPOINTE TO DENY THE REQUEST FOR A 3-WAY STOP AT THE INTERSECTION OF BENT AND TANGLEWOOD LANES.**

**MOTION PASSED. VOTE: 5 TO 0.**

## **Old Business:**

### **Pedestrian Only Phase at N. College Avenue & Cleveland Avenue**

A letter will be mailed to Delaware Department of Transportation requesting a “pedestrian only phase” at the intersection of N. College Avenue at Cleveland Avenue. Lt. Stanko confirmed that “pedestrian only” phases currently exist at the intersections of N. College Avenue at Main Street and Delaware Avenue at S. College Avenue. Lt. Stanko said during this cycle all vehicular movement would stop to allow pedestrian movement in all directions.

Mrs. Jean White asked if the crosswalks would include a countdown. Lt. Stanko said a countdown is being installed at all new crosswalks.

### **S. College Avenue Pedestrian Bridge**

Alicia Cash said as a follow up to the Traffic Committee’s request to widen the bicycle lane on S. College Avenue, the Delaware Department of Transportation is currently working on drafting a response letter.

Chief Tiernan said the Delaware Department of Transportation claims the old signage prohibiting bicyclists on the S. College Avenue Bridge belong to them. Chief Tiernan said M/Cpl. Davis is currently researching documentation, as it is believed that the signs belong to the police department.

### **Marrows Road**

Lt. Stanko said as a follow up to last month’s meeting, Marrows Road crosswalks are complete. Tom Parkins said on Marrows Road coming from Route 273 toward College Square the signage and the road markings do not coincide. The signage indicates you can continue traveling straight toward College Square, however a road arrow indicates that you must turn right at the Kentucky Fried Chicken.

There being no further business, Chief Tiernan called for a motion to adjourn.

**MOTION BY RICH LAPOINTE, SECONDED BY TOM PARKINS, TO ADJOURN.**

**MOTION PASSED. VOTE: 5 TO 0.**

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Paul M. Tiernan, Chairman